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Dear Norm:

Please be advised that the announcement placed in Guam's Pacific Daily Newspaper providing an opportunity for review and comment upon the Draft Remedial Investigation Report for Ordot Landfill has not elicited any responses from the general public or others. However, our Agency does have some comments to offer in this regard.

As you are aware, analytical results of thirteen (13) samples collected by USEPA's consultants during the field investigation indicate low levels of contamination contributed by Ordot Landfill do not warrant any hazardous waste associated remedial action. Although this is an accurate assessment based upon the short sampling period of the investigation, we feel that a longer sampling period is necessary to more realistically assess the remedial hazardous waste potential of Ordot based upon changing annual climatic conditions on Guam.

Our Agency will be sampling surface waters adjacent to bright mandfill more frequently next fiscal year in an effort to accurately define this hazardous waste potential. Analytical results of these samples will be forwarded to weepen ix on a periodic basis and will be used to support any subsequent requests for remedial action, if the analyses indicates that the level of contamination contributed by Ordot Landfill poses a threat to human health or the environment.

Sincerely yours,

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